



Australian Government

Department of Infrastructure, Transport,  
Cities and Regional Development

NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment  
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Dear Ms Rassack,

**Re: Mamre Road Precinct in the Western Sydney Employment Area**

The Department would like to congratulate NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) on releasing the Mamre Road Precinct Draft Structure Plan (Draft Structure Plan) for exhibition and we would like to provide the following for your consideration.

The Department notes that there are no references in the Draft Structure Plan documents to airport safeguarding matters such as glare, wildlife attraction, aircraft noise and lighting distractions. We suggest that incorporating Airport Safeguarding principles into the Draft Structure Plan is important, and that the principle of protecting the 24/7 hour operation of the airport should be included throughout the document.

The structure plan and discussion paper are contradictory on the prevention of noise sensitive uses within the ANEC/ANEF contours. The use of the AS 2021 is also confusing in regard to its capacity to allow noise sensitive uses within the ANEC/ANEF 20 contour. We suggest that while you may wish to refer to the AS 2021 it should be clear that despite this standard no new noise sensitive uses, such as residential uses or places of worship, are permissible within the ANEC/ANEF 20 and above contours.

We recommend that the first paragraph of Section 3.10 is reworded to reduce confusion and suggest the following words: *The Precinct is affected by aircraft noise from the Western Sydney International (Nancy-Bird) Walton Airport. Development up to the ANEC/ANEF 20 contour must adopt appropriate design and construction standards to reduce aircraft noise impacts and any intensification of noise sensitive uses within the ANEC/ANEF 20 and above contours is prohibited.*

Thank you for the opportunity for the Department to comment on the Draft Structure Plan. If you require any additional information, please contact [Redacted]

Yours sincerely

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